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In re Application of
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For: **DEVICE FOR TREATING PLANAR
ELEMENTS WITH A PLASMA JET**

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on applicants' "RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)..." filed in the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on 09 September 1998. The petition is **DISMISSED** without prejudice in that it is moot as discussed below.

On 14 October 1997, applicants filed an initial petition requesting that the application be accepted as filed without the signatures of two of the joint inventors.

On 12 March 1998, this Office mailed a decision dismissing the petition on the grounds that the requirements of 37 CFR 1.47(a) had not been satisfied.

On 09 September 1998, applicants filed the present renewed petition which was accompanied by, inter alia, declarations executed by the previously non-signing joint

inventors. Therefore, in that the present application has been executed by all of the named inventors, acceptance of the application under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is unnecessary.

The differences in the spelling of the names of some of the joint inventors between those published in the international application and those listed on the declarations are accepted as transliterational differences.

A review of the application file reveals that, with the filing of the declarations of the inventors, the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 for entry into the national stage in the US have now been satisfied.

The application has an international filing date of **11 April 1995**, under 35 U.S.C. 363, and a 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and 371(c) date of **09 September 1998**.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for preparation and mailing of a NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) in accordance with this decision, and for the preparation and mailing of a filing receipt.



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